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I/T/U Public Notice 2021-06

March 31, 2021

**RE: Oklahoma Health Care Authority Proposed Home Health State Plan
Amendment and Rule Revision**

Dear Tribal Representative:

The purpose of this letter is to provide notice of a proposed state plan amendment (SPA) that will be submitted to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) as well as an accompanying rule revision that will be voted on during the Oklahoma Health Care Authority (OHCA) Board meeting on May 19. Please note that prior to implementation, state plan amendments must obtain federal approval by CMS. The Agency is committed to active communication with tribal governments during the decision-making and priority-setting process; comments regarding the proposal herein are welcome.

The following item requests an expedited 30-day tribal consultation comment period from April 15, 2021 through May 15, 2021. To review and/or to comment on the proposed changes, please visit the online comment system found on the OHCA's [Policy Change Blog](#) and/or the [Native American Consultation Page](#) on April 15, 2021. Additionally, this item will be discussed at the upcoming face-to-face tribal consultation on May 4, 2021.

Ordering Providers for Home Health Services – In addition to physicians, the OHCA will allow nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, or physician assistants, working in accordance with State law, to order home health services, inclusive of medical supplies, equipment, and appliances, as per the CARES Act. This permanent SPA request will supersede the disaster relief request that was previously submitted to CMS on February 19, 2021 (I/T/U Public Notice 2021-03).

The OHCA posts all proposed changes on the Agency's [Policy Change Blog](#) and the [Native American Consultation Page](#). These public website pages are designed to give all constituents and stakeholders an opportunity to review and make comments regarding upcoming policy changes. To ensure that you stay informed of proposed policy changes, you may sign up for web alerts to be automatically notified when any new proposed policy changes are posted for comment.



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The OHCA values consultation with tribal governments and will provide your representatives a reasonable amount of time to respond to this notification.

Sincerely,

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